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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kok-Hwee Ng et al.

Application No.: 09/865,196

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For: System and Method for Managing Inventory of

Blood Component Collection Soft Goods in a

Blood Component Collection Facility

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 21, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.